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Dear Cobb County Residents;

I would like to extend my sincerest greetings to you.

I am Lee Ho-jo, Mayor of Seongdong-Gu in Seoul, Korea. It is a great pleasure to give New Year's Greetings to Cobb County residents on behalf of Seongdong-Gu residents. I particularly thank Sam Olens, the Chairman of Cobb County Board of Commissioner for giving me an opportunity to give my greetings.

Since October 2007 when Seongdong-Gu established sisterhood relationship with Cobb County, the two cities have conducted meaningful exchanges. Muhak Girls' High School in Seongdong-Gu established sisterhood relationships with Pope High School in the spring of 2008 and the students of Kennesaw State University visited Seongdong-Gu to teach English as volunteer activities for 2 months. In the meantime, the Economy Delegation of Cobb County Delegation visited Seongdong-Gu to conduct investor relations. In addition, Lover's Clock that Sunny. K. Park, a Cobb County resident, donated to commemorate the sisterhood relationship has taken root as an attraction of Seongdong-Gu.

These exchanges with Cobb County are sure to be a great asset to Seongdong-Gu that is emerging as a global city. In particular, exchanges in education and culture are likely to help better understand each other and strengthen friendship between the two cities eventually expanding to economy, tourism and arts.

Respectable Cobb County residents!

We will make ceaseless efforts to further strengthen friendship between Seongdong-Gu and Cobb County and achieve mutual prosperity in the future. I wish Cobb County residents good luck and good health, and I wish happy New Year.

Sincerely Yours

Lee Ho Jo



Mayor of Seongdong-Gu